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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ACTION

REGION 24 (MISSOURI) 700 MHz REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES TWO PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING MEETINGS

The Region 24 (Missouri) 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee announces **two** Region 24 planning meetings.

On Tuesday, January 14, 2003, the Region 24 planning meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m. at the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency, 2302 Militia Drive, Jefferson City, Missouri.

The agenda for this meeting includes:

- Discussion and final decisions on content of regional plan,
- Update on NCC progress and current status of 700 MHz,
- Current availability of 700 MHz public safety channels in Missouri,
- Consider incumbent broadcasters, and
- Discuss and compare the two proposed 700 MHz Region 24 channel allotments: one proposed by Region 24 and the other from the packing program used in the NPSTC CAPRAD database.

On Friday, February 14, 2003, the Region 24 planning meeting will convene at 9:00 a.m. at the Tan-Tar-A Resort, Osage Beach, Missouri during the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency Annual Communications Conference.

The agenda for this meeting includes:

- Discussion and final decision on the 700 MHz Region 24 channel allotment

Both of the Region 24 Public Safety Planning Committee meetings are open to the public. All eligible public safety providers in Missouri whose sole or principal purpose is to protect the safety of life, health, or property may utilize these frequencies. It is essential that not only public safety, but all government, Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's Rules be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate and represent their agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in the planning for the use of new public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz band within Region 24 should plan to attend. Region 24 welcomes all interested parties to attend, participate and volunteer for committee assignments. For further information, please contact:

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